1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 10 CR23-179 JHC UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, NO. 11 Plaintiff, ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO TEMPORARILY SEAL CASE 12 13 v. FILED UNDER SEAL CHANGPENG ZHAO, 14 Defendant. 15 16 The United States has moved to temporarily seal all filings in this matter and to keep the matter off the public docket until the day of entry of a guilty plea. Defendant 17 18 Changeng Zhao joins in the request. 19 For the reasons set forth in the motion of the United States, the Court finds that 20 there are compelling reasons to temporarily seal the matter, that those reasons outweigh the public's interest in immediate disclosure, and that there is no effective alternative to a 21 22 temporary seal. Accordingly, the Court orders that this matter, and all pleadings and 23 filings in this matter, including the Information, the motion to seal, and this Order, are to 24 be SEALED. 25 26 27

1 The matter shall not appear on the public docket, and there shall be no public calendar or docket entries for any filings or proceedings in this matter (including the 2 initial appearance, entry of plea, and bond hearing), while the seal remains in effect. 3 4 Absent further order of the Court, the matter shall be entirely UNSEALED at 5 9 a.m. Pacific Time on the date set for entry of the guilty plea. 6 IT IS ORDERED DATED this 14th day of November, 2023. 7 8 John M. Chan 9 10 Hon. John H. Chun 11 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 12 13 Presented by: 14 15 s/Michael Dion MICHAEL DION 16 Assistant United States Attorney 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27